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Weekly Weather and Crop Progress Report



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GENERAL

South Carolina received little to no precipitation last week. Crop progress and conditions in the state reflected the effects of the dry weather. There were 6.2 days suitable for field work. Soil moisture supplies were 23% short, 75% adequate, and 2% surplus.

FIELD CROPS

BARLEY was 56% planted and 35% emerged. **COTTON** had 98% of its bolls opened and 48% had been harvested. **OATS** were 48% planted and 32% emerged. **PEANUTS** were 91% harvested, which was one percent below 2005, but two percent above the average. **RYE** was 51% planted and 32% emerged. **SOYBEANS** had 100% of its leaves turning, 85% of the leaves had dropped, 69% had matured, and 23% was harvested. **SWEET POTATOES** were at 94% harvested, same as the 5-year average. **WINTER GRAZINGS** were at 78% planted and 58% emerged, while **WINTER WHEAT** was 30% planted and 20% emerged.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

APPLES were at 99% harvested, four percent ahead of last year and one percent above the 5-year average. **LIVESTOCK** and **PASTURE** conditions fell from the lack of precipitation last week.

Crop Progress for Week Ending November 5, 2006

Crop and Stage	2006	2005	5-Yr Avg	Crop and Stage	2006	2005	5-Yr Avg
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Apples, Harvested	99	95	98	Sorghum, Harvested	100	91	92
Barley, Planted	56	52	66	Soybeans, Turned Color	100	98	97
Barley, Emerged	35	34	48	Soybeans, Leaves Dropped	85	83	82
Cotton, Bolls Opened	98	99	98	Soybeans, Mature	69	66	63
Cotton, Harvested	48	59	53	Soybeans, Harvested	23	29	27
Oats, Planted	48	47	60	Sweetpotatoes, Harvested	94	86	94
Oats, Emerged	32	35	45	Winter Grazings, Planted	78	69	75
Peanuts, Harvested	91	92	89	Winter Grazings, Emerged	58	49	60
Rye, Planted	51	44	58	Winter Wheat, Planted	30	37	39
Rye, Emerged	32	31	43	Winter Wheat, Emerged	20	27	30

Condition for Week Ending November 5, 2006

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Barley	0	0	25	75	0	Rye	0	0	36	64	0
Cotton	0	7	52	32	9	Soybeans	2	8	35	46	9
Livestock	0	2	32	64	2	Winter Grazings	3	4	35	58	0
Oats	0	0	33	67	0	Winter Wheat	0	0	27	73	0
Pasture	3	17	38	42	0						

South Carolina Weekly Weather Summary for the Week Ending November 5, 2006

Indian Summer conditions were observed early in the week with sunny warm afternoons close to 80 degrees. A cold front entered the state overnight Wednesday with hardly a drop of rain. Freezing air, underneath the Canadian sourced high pressure, pushed the mercury in South Carolina to its lowest of this autumn season. Low temperatures on both Friday and Saturday were reported in the 20’s at many inland locations. Saturday’s high temperature of 56 degrees at Charleston City tied a date record lowest maximum previously set in 1966. A full day of bright sunshine was observed on Sunday with mid-afternoon temperatures easing back to near 60 degrees. For the period, the state average temperature was five degrees below normal.

The highest official temperature reported was 83 degrees at Pritchardville on October 31 and at Cades, Givhans, and Allendale on November 1. The lowest official temperature reported was 22 degrees at Lake Bowen and Cedar Creek on the morning of November 4. The heaviest official 24-hour rainfall reported was 0.02 inches at Table Rock and York ending at 7:00 AM on November 2. The average statewide rainfall for the period was 0.0 inches.

SOIL: 4-inch depth average soil temperature: Columbia 61 degrees.

RIVERS AND SURF: South Carolina river stages were below normal. Ocean water temperatures at Myrtle Beach were reported at 62 degrees.

Precipitation			
Location	Weekly Total	Jan 1 Total	Deviation from Average
Greer	0.00	33.88	-9.3
Columbia	0.00	34.47	-8.0
Orangeburg	0.00	32.12	-10.3
Charlotte, NC	0.00	35.75	-1.8
Augusta, GA	0.00	32.58	-6.6
Florence	0.00	39.00	-0.1
Myrtle Beach	0.00	44.72	5.0
Charleston	0.00	42.80	-3.2
Savannah, GA	0.00	29.65	-15.1

Weekly rainfall totals this period ending midnight Sunday.

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